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## Chariton County Central

### Committee Meeting

The Democratic Central Committee of Chariton County in response to the call of Chairman, M. W. Anderson, made January 14, 1912, met at the Court House in Keytesville on Wednesday, January 24, 1912.

The call of the roll showed the following named townships to be represented by either committeemen in person or by proxies:

Bee Branch, A. C. Steffes, Roy W. Rucker proxy.

Bowling Green, T. J. Clarkson, M. W. Anderson proxy.

Brunswick, L. H. Herring, Chariton, W. O. Patterson.

Clark, D. G. Cupp.

Cockrell, J. F. Kelley, M. W. Anderson proxy.

Keytesville, M. W. Anderson.

Mendon, B. F. Laughlin, R. D. Edwards proxy.

Missouri, H. J. Weber, E. B. Kellogg proxy.

Mussey Fork, E. B. Welch.

Salisbury, L. D. Brummall.

Triplett, F. M. Elliott, L. H. Herring proxy.

Cunningham, Salt Creek, Wayland and Yellow Creek townships were not represented.

The Chairman explained the duty of the committee under the call to determine how the delegates to the State Convention at Joplin February 20 should be selected, and if by a convention then whether the delegates to the county convention to be held in Keytesville February 12, next, should be chosen by primary election or township mass meeting to be held in the several townships on dates as follows: mass meetings on February 10, primary election same date, county convention February 12, and further that said county convention would, under the order of the state central committee, select twelve delegates to represent Chariton county at the state convention to be held in Joplin, Mo., on February 20, 1912.

After discussion Township mass meetings were determined upon, such mass meetings to be held under the direction of the committeemen who were instructed to make returns of the names of the delegates so selected to said county convention.

On motion, it was then ordered that each of the several townships of Chariton county should be entitled to one delegate for every fifty votes or fraction thereof cast in such townships for James B. Gantt, for Judge of the Supreme Court of Missouri at the general election held in November 1910, and under this rule the several townships were declared to be entitled to delegates as follows:

Townships	Votes	Delegates
Bee Branch	140	3
Bowling Green	81	2
Brunswick	386	8
Chariton	64	2
Clark	100	2
Cockrell	105	3
Cunningham	121	3
Keytesville	475	10
Mendon	111	3
Missouri	71	2
Mussey Fork	144	3
Salisbury	608	14
Salt Creek	92	2
Triplett	148	3
Wayland	144	3
Yellow Creek	151	3
Total	66	

The committee named Judge L. H. Herring as temporary chairman and R. D. Edwards temporary secretary for the county convention.

Adjourned.

M. W. ANDERSON, Chairman.

R. D. EDWARDS, Secretary.

## IS JOPLIN TO SETTLE IT?

To all appearances the supporters of Gov. Folk and Speaker Clark have accepted the Joplin convention, date and all, in harmony and in good faith.

The Republic assumes that the contest between these gentlemen so far as the Democratic nomination for the Presidency this year is concerned, is to end at this great council of Missouri Democrats on the 20th of next month.

The Republic is pledged to the candidacy which shall be proclaimed at Joplin in February. It will have no other until the National Democratic convention shall have spoken.

Asking nothing of anybody else that is not held to be binding upon ourselves, we should like to ask Messrs. Folk and Clark a plain Democratic question:

Will the man who loses the Missouri delegation at Joplin forbid the further use of his name as a candidate for the presidential nomination and will agree, as other Missouri Democrats seem to have agreed, to support the nominee of the State Convention?

We have said before this that it is more important to maintain the Democratic organization in this state than it is to go to Baltimore on behalf of any man. We now repeat it with emphasis.

Will the loser at Joplin accept the verdict of Missouri Democrats, or will he go out into other States and make an appeal from their judgement?

We ask this question because it would be useless and scandalous to ask the Democrats of Missouri to settle a controversy unless their decision is to be accepted by everybody as final. We shall do what we can to make it settle this particular controversy for all time.

(Editorial in the Republic Thursday, Jan. 18)

I am glad that you have raised the question of the binding effect of the Joplin convention. It is essential for the party welfare in Missouri that there be some end to the discord, and I am willing to do all I can to bring about that internal peace so necessary for party success.

In accord with the idea expressed in your editorial, I ask that Mr. Clark join with me in agreeing that the one who loses the instructions of the Missouri Democratic Convention, to be held in Joplin February 20, shall refuse to allow the further use of his name, either in or out of Missouri, in connection with the presidential nomination to be made in Baltimore, and that he will in good faith support the nominee of the Democracy of Missouri.

This matter is of such grave importance to the Democracy of this State that Mr. Clark should answer this question in person as I have answered in person, and his answer should be as unequivocal and emphatic as the one I have given.

(Signed) Joseph W. Folk.

St. Louis, Jan. 18, 1912.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.

When shown a copy of the Republic's editorial of today, entitled "Is Joplin to Settle It?" which was telegraphed to The Republic Bureau here, Speaker Champ Clark to-night penciled the following pledge to abide by the verdict at Joplin:

I always support Democratic nominees. I never bolted or scratched a Democratic ticket or nominee in my life. That is matter of common knowledge in Missouri. Everybody knows it. I am too old to change my habits now. So far as I am concerned, the decision of the Missouri

Democrats settles the presidential matter. If by any accident, I lose Missouri, I will forbid further use of my name in that connection and support the nominee of the Joplin convention, and am glad that Gov. Folk promises not to bolt.

(Signed) Champ Clark.

## Burglar at Dalton

Last Saturday afternoon while Douglas Hallowell was attending the burial of Mrs. Munson, his mother-in-law, a tramp giving his name as Henry Giovannini raised a sash and crawled thru the window into his house. The man with the dago name proceeded to ransack the dwelling, but appropriated nothing more than a waterbury clock and a good razor. He claimed that he was hungry, and finding that Douglas had cleaned up on back bone and beef steak, he conceived the idea that a one dollar clock and a three dollar razor ought to get him a square at some beanery, and pocketed these articles. Walter Fennell, a citizen, saw the daylight marauder emerging, and holding the right view of what was due to a neighbor away from home, nabbed Senor Giovannini and marched him to the constable.

Mr. Hallowell lodged a complaint before Justice Charles E. Jaeger, who promptly turned the purloiner over to Sheriff Hardin for safe keeping until the Circuit Court in Salisbury in February disposes of him.

## Price Monument Committee Meeting

Last Monday, on call of Chairman Ingram, the Price Monument Committee met at Keytesville to view the site for the monument and inspect designs for the structure, Morgan L. McNeel of the McNeel Marble and Granite Works of Marietta, Ga., being on hand to show what his factory had to offer.

Nothing definite was done, but the committee shows commendable signs of activity. Let us have a good monument when we do get it.

## Marriage Licenses

Jas. J. Still of Newearantig, Mo. and Mrs. Lillie E. Lingo of Lingo, Mo.

Bernard Nanneman and Miss Josephine Hinricher, both of Wien.

Earl Lee and Zella Barnes, both of Keytesville.

B. F. Payne of Marceline and Docia Haston of Keytesville.

George Davis of Brunswick and Annie Jones of Mendon.

Wm. E. Huston and Ethel Torry, both of Triplett.

## To Neighbors and Friends

Our sincerest acknowledgments are extended for sympathy and assistance during our late bereavement.

Mrs. W. T. DRACE and CHILDREN.

E. E. Rettig, former owner and Editor of the Courier, has bot a small job printing outfit and will open an office here at once. With two newspapers equipped to do job work and the new exclusive job office our people ought not to have to go away from home for work.

Mrs. Roy W. Rucker departed yesterday with her daughter Miss Elizabeth Jane, for an extended visit of 2 or 3 weeks to friends in St. Louis and Sedalia and other cities.

J. D. Hershey, of Marceline in company with his mother came down to visit with Lou Hershey and family Wednesday. J. D. is the fat man of the Hershey family.

## Socialism

E. B. KELLOGG,  
Editor Chariton Courier.

Please allow me to answer to the article, "Socialism" in your No. 50 January 19, 1912 issue.

To make it as short as possible, I will point out only parts of said article on which I wish to reply. In the beginning it says, "Socialism gathers converts from the cities chiefly; and that in rural communities it is almost without a following." This is true; the cities are making Socialists because all industry is done and regulated large on scales making the before-independent worker, dependent upon large manufactories and corporations.

But it is short time only when the former has to meet the same; he cannot compete with a power plow in use already, to raise wheat or corn; he has the same footing as a carpenter with his hand plane against a 24 inch planer. By and by, the farmers will be the best of Socialists. The farseeing are Socialists already.

Further the article says: "In his heart, the average man is an Individualist," and later. True we give up a portion of our individual liberty when we enter organized society, but we do this because we gain more than we lose by it, to say nothing of the advantage of well regulated social life."

Now that is exactly the thing Socialists are after—a well regulated social life. I ask,—is the present society well regulated when women and children work in factories while their husbands fathers are out of work? Is it well regulated when a few hundred millionaires own most everything worth having, while millions of people are without a home, and thousands slowly starving. It is false when the article quotes the Socialist as saying:

"Let society own the homes, and let society move the man about from house to house."

My dear sir, it is the capitalist who moves the people from the houses and homes, if they are not able to pay rent, or interest on mortgaged homes. Socialists do not squirm and squeal—they work for better times and try to teach the squealing, oppressed and suffering people to take the road to find a home.

The article further says: "Anybody who wants land can buy it on practically his own terms." Now, it would be fine to have a method of this plan—how it can be done by a person bare of cash.

The article further says: "My sympathy for the weak and oppressed is neither shallow nor fitful." Further: "I am too old now to veer, or reverse my course." I became a Socialist after studying it carefully several years ago. I am now past my 73rd year—have not much hope to see or get any benefit in my life from it. The way is slow in which the common people come to the conclusion that they are wronged right and left by a systematic rule of a monopolized clique, in partnership with government and law.

I do not expect any relief from either the Republican or the Democratic party. They promise before elections, and afterwards do the bidding of money bags. As the article is in favor of the Democrats, and they had the power in Congress, why did they allow Rockefeller to tax the people two million a month, why let Harriman juggle with railroad property, let the steel trust have special privilege and the sugar trust and others give it so sweet to use to laboring people?

The writer of the article "Socialism" does know—even wrote down the above blunders of the trusts, but fights for the trust system, and rebukes people trying to better social life.

Yours Respectfully,

Louis M. Rall

Glasgow, Mo.

("Whatever is good in Socialistic doctrine is Democratic. But are not Socialists supporters of a protective tariff? That is Republican. Are not radical Socialists embryo anarchists? The younger artisan misconceives the means to an end. Progressive Democracy would cure every evil of which a Socialist complains, therefore every Socialist should become a Democrat and enlist in the permanent establishment of Democratic principles. (Editor.)

## Riley Hall Announces For Congress

Hon. U. S. Hall, president of Pritchett College at Glasgow has announced himself a candidate for Congress in the 7th district. In a 2 column address to voters in the Glasgow Missourians he says in part, "No one should be nominated for Congress solely on account of his personal ambition, nor solely because he is a Democrat. He should be nominated solely on account of what he stands for; provided, of course, that he is otherwise qualified." The improvement of the Missouri river and post roads by Congress, are the two and only two things he mentions in his address as important, but promises the people to tell them more when he sees them.

Frank Vincent is in the hands of the police in Portland, Ore., for looting. According to a special to the Republic Wednesday, Frank claims to have killed a man in Keytesville before he left a few weeks ago. In Kansas City it is said he got a new suit of clothes and a ticket to the far West on the assertion that he had killed three men here. There are no "dead ones" here, but he will find several of his squad very much alive when he gets back if he don't pay up, if they are in earnest. Evidently Frank wanted to get out of a town where "no looting allowed" goes, and he fancied by telling of a massacre he had engaged in would procure him transportation back. A rock pile is the place for such burns.

What has been done in Louisiana can be duplicated in every other state and in every village, town and city in the land. But to do it, there must be the same fearless, sane and practical work by the health officer on whom the responsibility rests, that was inspired by Dr. Oscar Dowling, the president of the State Board of Health of Louisiana.

Mr. A. G. Arrington's neighbors kept him at home one day, last Monday. He was 72 years old and they celebrated the event, by coming in on him unaware. They didn't let any of his relatives in on the occasion to remind him he ought to be feeling somewhat aged and not mount his steed every morning and hustle around like he did while with Stonewall Jackson. About 25 of his friends feasted and otherwise enjoyed the day. May he be as hearty at 100, and his friends still celebrating with him.

J. W. Kelly and partner came in from Kansas City this week to buy a one-load of apples, but being unable to get a car, departed, expecting to try it again.

## THE MARKETS

Eggs per doz.	22c
Hens per lb.	10c
Cox.	5c
Fryers.	81-2
Butter.	19 1-2c
Wool.	16c
Tallow.	5c
Beeswax.	24c
Rubber.	3 4c
Cream.	35c
Hides.	8 1-2c
Turkeys.	13 1-2c
Geese.	07c
Stags.	6c

## Stock Market Here

Heavy best hogs	5.64
Light hogs	5
Beef Cattle	6.25
Heifers	4.50
Cows	3.50
Lams	4.50
Sheep	3

## D. A. Henley of Laclede who

has been visiting relatives north of town, had about persuaded Ed Cavanaugh to go on a visit to Louisiana, but the big cyclone which swept that state last week had about bluffed him or them.